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## Nearly 30% of Ag Dealership Locations Owned by ‘Big Dealers’

During the 8 years that *Ag Equipment Intelligence* has formally tracked farm equipment dealer consolidations in the U.S. and Canada, the number of big dealers — those operating 5 or more retail locations concentrating on the sales of farm machinery — have increased by nearly 27%. By our count, through the first quarter of 2016, 192 dealership groups had at least 5 stores focused on selling ag equipment. This compares with 151 in 2009.

At the same time, the number of ag store locations operated by the “Big Dealer” groups has grown by 30%, from nearly 1,500 to almost 2,000 individual store locations. With an estimated 6,800 total farm equipment dealers currently operating in the two countries (which includes shortline-only dealers and those carrying tractors not manufactured by one of the five major brands), 28% of all dealers now own 5 or more ag retail locations.

After 2 years of fewer big dealers in 2013 and 2014, the last couple of years have once again seen the pick up in the slow, steady pace of growth in the ranks of big dealers. According to George Russell, founding member of the Machinery Advisors Consortium and co-author of the Big Dealer report since its inception, the decrease in the number of big dealers was the result of big dealers acquiring other big dealers or mergers between big dealer groups.

“I don’t think we’ve seen the end of that phenomenon, but at the time there were so many easy, relatively straight forward M&A opportunities for these types of transactions, particularly among Deere dealers. What we’re seeing now is fewer of those types of deals and more smaller dealers starting to acquire or merge with other smaller dealers, creating more groups with 5 or more stores, which is now adding to the overall numbers on the list,” says Russell.

He adds the trend that has been more prominent in the past couple of years is the increase of dealerships at the lower end of the list. In the past 2 years, 14 dealer groups have been

added to the Big Dealer list, while only a few have dropped off. Of the 14 adds, 7 were John Deere dealers as the company continues its push for fewer dealer-principals. Three of the new dealerships on the list were Case IH retailers, 2 were AGCO, 1 was primarily New Holland and 1 was a specialty equipment group focusing on agricultural sprayers.

### Rise of Shortline-Only Dealerships?

As farm equipment distribution channels continue to consolidate, shortline manufacturers are finding it increasingly difficult to secure deal-

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ers. This is, in part, due to some of the full-line manufacturers “encouraging” their dealers to eliminate shortline equipment from their product line-ups and focus solely on their brand; a practice called “dealer purity” or “brand purity.”

While there are many shortline-only dealers operating within the ag equipment space, until recent years,

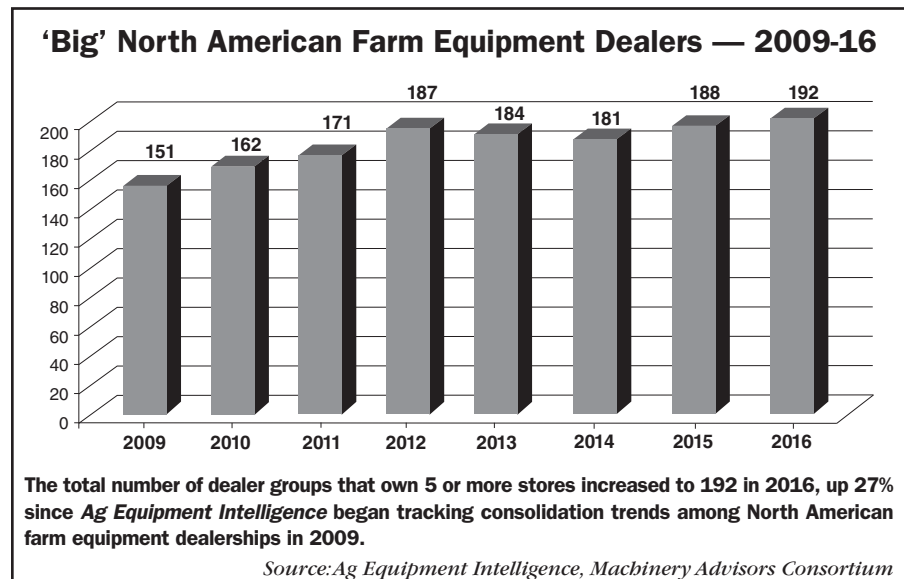
few were of the size to be included on *Ag Equipment Intelligence*’s roster of Big Dealers. In fact, since the onset of the Big Dealer report, no shortline-only dealerships have been included on the list.

This has begun to change. For the first time, the 2016 roster includes two such dealer groups.

One that should have been on the list previously was Flamman Ag. With 9 locations in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, Flamman carries only non-mechanized ag equipment, and no products from any of the 5 major brands. But the breadth of the lines they do carry could become a model for the emergence of other dealerships that don’t represent a full-line manufacturer.

Also this year, through a merger of two dealerships that do not handle machines manufactured by the full-line equipment makers, another shortline-only group was added to the Big Dealer list. The merger of Brokaw Supply Co. and Riggins Ag Equipment in May 2015 created the Ag Solutions Group. Combining the two dealers resulted in a 6-store retail organization across 5 states (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri and Nebraska). This dealer group specializes in planting, spraying, fertilizer application, as well as other farm machinery.

So far, increases in the number of multi-store shortline-only dealerships have been negligible. One trend that



may be worth watching is full-line dealerships that shift shortline equipment they want to carry (because of customer demand) to separate facilities to avoid conflicts with their major suppliers.

### Manufacturers' Push, Ag Economy & Aging Dealers Continue to Fuel Consolidation

Along with manufacturers strategically streamlining their distribution channels and the natural aging of dealer-principals, the downturn in the ag economy in the past few years ranks as a big factor in the continued push for dealership consolidation.

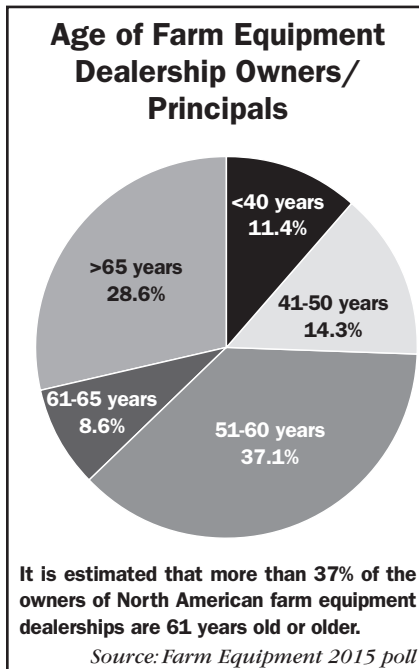
Following 6 years of strong sales, peaking in 2013, the drop in the turnover in ag equipment has persisted, falling each year starting in 2014. The boom in farm machinery sales caused some dealers to postpone retirement. As one dealer told *Ag Equipment Intelligence*, "I was having too much fun to think about selling the business."

Economic downturns like that of 2009 and the one currently impacting the industry, often hasten the dealer's decision to merge with other dealerships or sell out altogether. This is especially true when the dealer has no succession plan, which adds urgency to determining that it's time to sell.

The age of dealer-principals, partners and owners is also playing a role. An online poll conducted by sister publication *Farm Equipment* magazine in 2015 on the current age of dealership owners/principals could be pointing a growing urgency by both dealers and the major equipment manufacturers to ensure a smooth transition in the ownership of farm equipment retail operations.

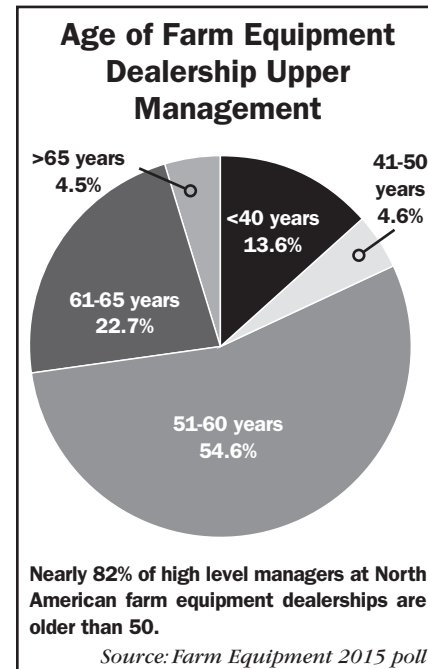
Results of the poll indicate that nearly three-quarters of owners, partners and/or principals of North American dealerships are older than 50 years of age. Only 25% are younger than 50, and only 11% of these are younger than 40 years old. Of those 50 and older, more than 37% are 61 and older, and nearly 29% are 65 or older.

Upper management at these dealerships is in somewhat better shape



when it comes to age. Among department and other upper level managers, more than 54% are 51-60 years old. Only 4.5% are 65 and older, while nearly 23% are 61-65 years old and approaching retirement.

With sales slowing, it's not unreasonable to assume many of the older dealers will give retirement serious consideration in the next few years. If these owner/principals don't have a viable succession in place (which must meet the desires of the dealer-



ship's major line supplier), the industry could see another big wave of consolidations.

Aside from these usual factors contributing to dealer consolidation, the major equipment manufacturers — John Deere in particular — are driving the trend.

### Majors Continue to Drive Consolidation

Since the early 1990s, Deere has made it clear it was looking to ratio-

North American Big Farm Equipment Dealer Groups by Brand — 2016						
<i>(Individual ownership groups &amp; stores may carry a range of different brands)</i>						
# Ag Stores in Ownership Group	Owner Groups	John Deere	Case IH	AGCO Corp.	New Holland	Kubota
>15	26	21	2	3	1	-
10-15	41	24	7	6	2	-
7-9	58	34	14	4	4	3
5-6	67	26	23	7	10	15
TOTAL	192	105	46	20	17	18
Est. Ag Stores*	1,934	1,132	434	209	176	139
Est. Stores - Industry	6,800**					
Est. Branded Stores		1,539	900	975	996	1,100
% All Stores in Large Groups	28%	74%	48%	21%	18%	13%

\*Est. total ag dealer locations in North America \*\*Does not include OPE, CE or HQ locations.  
 Source: Ag Equipment Intelligence, Dave Kanicki (DKanicki@LessiterMedia.com, 262-777-2414, www.Farm-Equipment.com) and Machinery Advisors Consortium, George Russell (GLRussell2@gmail.com, 847-219-7252)

nalize its dealer ranks, and it shows by the number of its dealers that comprise the Big Dealer list. Many industry observers (among them Deere dealers) believe that single-store or even 2- or 3-store John Deere dealers will be a thing of the past in the not-too-distant future.

While other full-line manufacturers, most notably AGCO and Case IH, are at work streamlining their dealer networks, none can match the intensity and results achieved by Deere to date.

It is estimated that more than 70% of John Deere ag retailers fall into the category of Big Dealers, that is they own and operate 5 or more farm equipment store locations. This compares with about 48% of Case IH dealers and 21% of dealerships that count AGCO brands (Massey Ferguson, Challenger and/or Fendt)

as their major lines.

While Case IH claims the single largest farm equipment dealer group globally — Titan Machinery with 108 locations worldwide and 80 in the U.S. — and the fourth largest group overall (Rocky Mountain Equipment with 34 ag stores), Deere clearly dominates.

For example, Deere has 45 ownership groups operating 10 or more ag store locations. This compares to AGCO and Case IH, which both claim 9 groups with 10 stores or more. Only 3 New Holland dealership owners have 10 or more stores. This includes Titan Machinery, which is New Holland's largest dealer in terms of number of stores but is primarily an outlet for Case IH equipment. Kubota, on the other hand, currently has no single ownership group operating 10 or more ag stores.

## Tracking the Trends of Ag & CE Dealers

Another trend that bears watching, according to Russell, is ag equipment dealers adding construction equipment (CE) to their product line-ups. While several Caterpillar dealers have dropped ag equipment entirely or transferred the business to other dealers in the region over the past few years, several traditional farm equipment dealers have added CE.

In the case of CAT dealers, last year 3 of them exited the business: Hewitt CAT (Quebec) sold its ag equipment business to Group SYMAC; Kramer CAT (Saskatchewan) transferred its farm equipment segment business to Claas and Tingley; and Riggs CAT (Arkansas) sold its ag machinery to Holt Agri-Business.

In the past 12 months, only one CAT dealer reported exiting the farm equipment sector. Warren CAT (Texas, Oklahoma) sold its ag division with 4 locations in Texas and Oklahoma to Livingston Machinery.

In several cases where CAT dealers decided to remove themselves from agriculture, Claas, the German manufacturer of Lexion combines and hay and forage equipment, lost key dealers in vital market areas. With little or no other option, the company has opened its own dealerships.

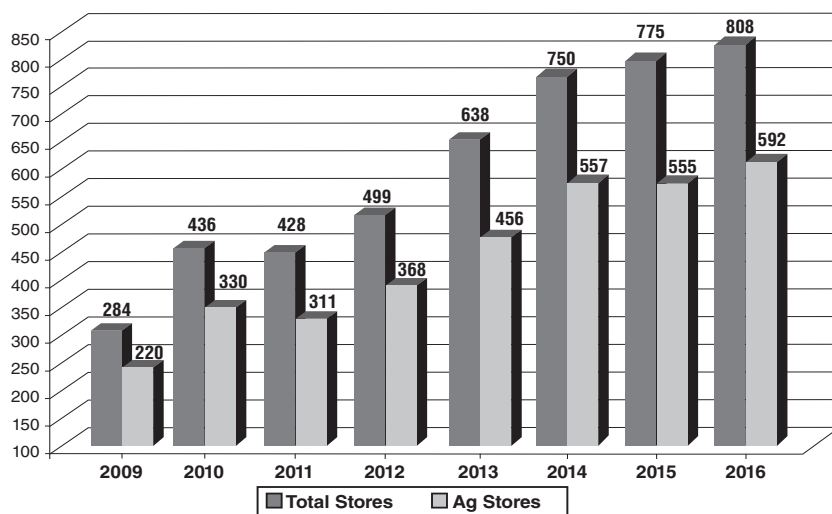
In an innovative move to shore up its distribution channels in Canada, Claas, which has estimated annual revenues in the \$5 billion range, in April 2016, announced a cooperative agreement with BayWa Ag of Munich, Germany, to partner in selling and servicing Claas equipment in Alberta, Canada.

BayWa sells and supports equipment from European manufacturers such as Grimme, McHale, Poettinger, Trioliet, Horsch and Maschio-Gaspardo, but its major assets are the exclusive sales rights for John Deere in Austria and for the AGCO brands Challenger, Fendt, Massey Ferguson and Valtra in southern Germany and parts of eastern Germany. BayWa also operates a number of exclusively Claas dealerships in southern Germany.

Another significant move in the area of ag and CE dealers occurred in June 2015 when 8 Nortrax con-

**Farm Equipment Dealer Groups with 15 or More Locations — 2009-16**

Year	Groups w/15+ Stores	Total Stores	Ag Stores	Total Avg.	Ag Avg.
2009	12	284	220	23.7	18.3
2010	16	436	330	27.3	20.6
2011	13	428	311	32.9	23.9
2012	16	499	368	31.2	23.0
2013	20	638	456	31.9	22.8
2014	24	750	557	31.3	23.2
2015	23	775	555	33.6	24.1
2016	26	835	624	33.3	24.0



Farm equipment dealership groups that own 15 or more farm equipment stores increased to 26 in the past year compared to 23 last year. In total, this group of dealers operated 835 retail locations, an average of 33.3 each. When considering only ag equipment locations, the average was 24 stores each. Since 2009, the number of dealerships that operate 15 or more store locations has more than doubled and the number of total store locations they own has more than tripled.

Source: Ag Equipment Intelligence, Machinery Advisors Consortium

struction branches in Tennessee and Kentucky were acquired by Meade Tractor, based in Bristol, Tenn. The dealership also operates 8 John Deere ag equipment locations. Nortrax, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of John Deere, had acquired some of the stores from Holt Equipment Co. in 2013.

Flint Equipment Co. based in Albany, Ga., includes an Ag & Turf Division and a Construction & Forestry Division, each with 8 locations that carry Deere & Co. products.

“Deere has typically kept their ag equipment and CE dealers separate,” says Russell. “It appears now their Nortrax strategy is buy up their independent CE dealers, operate them for a while and sell them off to other Deere CE dealers. In this case, they sold these stores to one of their ag dealers, Meade Tractor. We’ve also seen the opposite situation with Pape Machinery on the West Coast. Pape was a major dealer of Deere CE, but a few years ago they started buying ag equipment stores. Today they have 21 farm equipment locations.”

Russell explains that it’s probably part of Deere’s larger strategy to reduce the number of dealer-principals it has to deal with. For example, when a successful ag dealer wants to expand, but there aren’t many options on the ag side, allowing them to buy into the CE business helps both parties. Deere has a known dealer with the capability of operating a large business moving into another heavy equipment market. At the same time, the large ag or CE dealer with limited expansion opportunities in farm machinery, is able to grow into another business segment.

“I think we’ll continue seeing more of this ag and CE overlap,” says Russell.

### JCB & Kubota Making Moves

Joining the fray in recent years, JCB and Kubota are making moves to become players in the North American ag market.

JCB, the CE manufacturer based in England, has become much more aggressive in recruiting dealers to handle its farm equipment products. A company spokesperson told *Ag Equipment Intelligence* that JCB has added 44 “ag-focus” dealers with

North American Dealer Groups with 10 or More Ag Equipment Stores — 2016					
	# Dealer Groups	All Stores	Avg. # Stores	# Ag Stores	Avg. # Stores
Dealers with 20 or More Stores	12	580	48.3	392	32.6
Dealers with 15-19 Stores	14	255	18.2	232	16.6
Dealers with 10-14 Stores	41	535	13	486	11.7
<b>Dealers with 10 Stores or More</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>1,110</b>	<b>16.6</b>
<b>The number of dealer groups operating 10 or more store locations increased to 67 up from 65 a year earlier, and the total number of stores operated by these dealers rose to 1,370 vs. 1,324 last year. Overall, these dealers own 1,110 ag-only locations, an average of 16.6 stores each.</b>					
<i>Source: Ag Equipment Intelligence, Machinery Advisors Consortium</i>					

80 locations in the past 36 months. This is in addition to another 35 “JCB Legacy” ag dealers with 78 locations. In total, today JCB has 80 dealers with 150 outlets in North America.

Russell points out, “JCB is the world’s leading backhoe producer, and they made attempts to get into North America several times over the years, but not with a lot of luck. This time it’s clear they’re making good headway by finding interest among ag dealers.”

For example, 2 long-time Case IH dealers added JCB to their product lineups in the past year. Hlavinka Equipment, which operates 7 ag dealerships in southeastern Texas, last year opened its eighth dealership, but this one will only carry JCB’s compact construction and ag equipment.

Torgerson’s, an 8-store Case IH dealership, based in Great Falls, Mont., announced a year ago it would begin offering JCB Equipment at its Great Falls and Lewiston locations. The dealership will both service and sell JCB agricultural equipment, including articulated telescopic handlers, wheel loaders and JCB’s skid steers and compact track loaders. It said it would potentially expand its JCB sales to other locations in the future.

Kubota, on the other hand, has long been a major player in North American agriculture, but until recently its influence had been limited to the lower horsepower end of the tractor market, UTVs and some small construction equipment. As the compact and utility tractor segment has become increasingly competitive with entries from South Korea, India and China, Kubota has made no bones about its intentions to claim a share of the production ag equipment market.

This could develop into one of the more intriguing stories to watch as it unfolds. While Kubota boasts about 1,100 North American dealers, it shares many of them with the other major farm equipment manufacturers, most notably Case IH.

As Kubota continues to penetrate the broadacre market with the introduction of new production equipment and higher powered tractors, it will be interesting to observe how its dealer network evolves.

Russell points to another signal that Kubota is serious about moving into the row-crop sector of agriculture is its dealers seeking precision farming specialists. According to Russell, in *Ag Equipment Intelligence’s* 2012 Dealer Business Outlook & Trends report, 0% of Kubota dealers indicated plans to hire precision farming technicians. “In 2016, 24% of Kubota dealers said they planned to hire precision farming people. That was the highest number of any of the manufacturers!”

This along with the company moving its North American headquarters from California to Texas is giving its dealers a strong signal that it is serious about its commitment to expand into big agriculture. As a Kubota North American executive told *Ag Equipment Intelligence* several years ago, “My Japanese bosses are patient and willing to accept incremental progress as long as we keep moving forward.”

Russell adds, “The dealers like that. They like the certainty that if they invest in Kubota, while their investment may not pay off this year, it will pay over time and there won’t be major changes in the next quarter.”



## Large North American Equipment Dealers – 5 or More Ag Stores

Dealer Group	Total Stores	Ag Stores	Main Ag Brands	State/Province	Dealer Group	Total Stores	Ag Stores	Main Ag Brands	State/Province
1 Titan Machinery	108	80	CIH, NH	ND, SD, IA, MN, MT, NE, EU(16)	58 Bodensteiner Implement	10	10	JD	IA
2 Cervus	75	42	JD	AB, MB, SK, NZ & AUST(15)	59 Wagner Equipment	13	10	AGCO	CO, TX, NM
3 Ag Pro	37	36	JD	GA, FL, SC, TX	60 Red Power/Bancroft	10	10	CIH	IA
4 RME/Rocky Mountain Equipment	38	34	CIH, NH, Kub	AB, MB, SK	61 Delta Power Equipment	10	10	CIH, NH	ON
5 Romer (James River Equipment /4 Rivers Equipment)	51	32	JD	VA, NC, SC, CO, WY, NM, TX	62 Tennessee Tractor	11	10	JD	TN
6 RDO	75	31	JD	ND, AZ, CA, MN, MT, OR, SD, TX, WA	63 Tractor Central	10	10	JD	WI
7 Greenway	27	27	JD	AR, MO	64 Frontline Ag Solutions	10	10	JD	MT
8 Ziegler Cat	28	24	AGCO	MN, IA, WI, MO	65 Premier Equipment	10	10	JD	ON
9 C&B Operations	26	24	JD	SD, MN, WY, ID, MT	66 Martin Deerline	10	10	JD	AB
10 Brandt Holdings	25	21	JD	ND, MN, SD, NE	67 JayDee AgTech	10	10	JD	SK
11 Pape Machinery	70	21	JD	OR, CA, WA, NV, ID	68 Wylie Implement	16	9	CIH	TX, OK
12 Sloans	20	20	JD	IL, WI	69 Hooper	9	9	CIH	PA, DE
13 Stotz Equipment	23	19	JD	AZ, CA, NV, UT, CO, NM, ID	70 Youngs Equipment	9	9	CIH	SK
14 P&K Equipment	19	19	JD	OK, IA	71 Blanchard Equipment	10	9	JD	GA, SC
15 Butler Machinery	18	18	AGCO	ND, SD, NE	72 Cazenovia Equipment (CEC)	9	9	JD	NY
16 Trigreen	18	18	JD	AL, TN	73 Kenn-Feldt Group	10	9	JD	IN, OH
17 21st Century Equipment	21	17	JD	NE, CO	74 Limestone Farm Lawn Worksite	9	9	JD	KY
18 LandMark Implement	18	17	JD	NE, KS	75 PrairieLand Partners	10	9	JD	KS
19 Van Wall Group	21	16	JD	IA, KS, NE, IL	76 Heritage Tractor	9	9	JD	KS, MO
20 Greenmark Equipment	16	16	JD	MI, IN	77 Larson Farm & Lawn	9	9	JD	MO, AR
21 Ag-Power	17	16	JD	TX, AR, MO	78 Green Line Equipment	9	9	JD	NE
22 Groupe JLD Laguë	16	16	JD	QC, ON	79 Valley Truck & Tractor	10	9	JD	CA
23 Whyne CAT	15	15	AGCO	KY	80 Huron Tractor	9	9	JD	ON
24 Plains Equipment Group	17	15	JD	NE, KS	81 PrairieCoast Equipment	9	9	JD	AB, BC
25 SunSouth	21	15	JD	AL, GA, MS	82 Atlantic Tractor	11	9	JD, Kub	MD, PA, DE
26 Mississippi/Arkansas Ag	15	15	JD	MS, AR	83 Kanequip	10	9	NH, CIH, Kub	KS
27 Ring Power CAT	25	14	AGCO	FL	84 Bingham	10	9	NH, Kub	AZ
28 HGI (NC Machinery, Tractor & Equipment)	24	14	AGCO	WA, MT, ND, WY	85 Plains Ag	9	9	CIH, NH	ND
29 Agri-Service	14	14	AGCO	ID, OR, UT	86 Enns Brothers	10	9	JD	MB
30 H&R Agri-Power	14	14	CIH, NH, Kub	KY, IL, TN, AL	87 Flamman Agriculture	9	9	Shortline	AB, SK, MB
31 Quality Equipment	14	14	JD	NC	88 Moody's Equipment	8	8	NH	SK
32 American Implement Inc.	14	14	JD	KS	89 Quinn CAT	37	8	AGCO	CA, AZ
33 Mazergroup	14	14	NH	MB, SK	90 Petersen CAT	19	8	AGCO	CA, OR, WA
34 Progressive Tractor	13	13	CIH	LA	91 N & S Tractor	8	8	CIH	CA
35 Bane-Welker Equipement	14	13	CIH	IN	92 Groupe SYMAC	8	8	AGCO	QC
36 Green Diamond Equipment	13	13	JD	NB, NS, PE	93 Monroe Tractor	11	8	CIH	NY
37 Martin Sullivan	13	13	JD	IL	94 Centre Agricole	8	8	CIH	QC
38 AHW (Arends Hogan Walker)	15	13	JD	IL	95 Torgerson's LLC	8	8	CIH, NH	MT
39 Hutson	14	13	JD	KY	96 Flint Ag & Turf	27	8	JD	GA, NC, SC, AL
40 Midwest Machinery	13	13	JD	MN	97 SEMA	8	8	JD	MN
41 Riesterer & Schnell	12	12	JD	WI	98 Gooseneck Implement	8	8	JD	ND, SD
42 LDI (Lang Diesel Inc.)	13	12	AGCO	KS	99 Western Equipment	9	8	JD	OK
43 Birkeys Farm Store	14	12	CIH, NH	IL, IN	100 South Plains Implement	8	8	JD	TX
44 Everglades Farm Equipment	12	12	JD	FL	101 Quality Implement	9	8	JD	TX, OK
45 East Coast Equipment	13	12	JD	NC, VA	102 South Country Equipment	8	8	JD	SK
46 Washington Tractor	12	12	JD	WA	103 Meade Tractor	17	8	JD	TN, KY, VA, WV, NC
47 Wade	12	12	JD	MS	104 BelKorp Ag	8	8	JD	CA
48 SS Equipment	12	12	NH	WA, OR	105 Garton Tractor	8	8	NH	CA
49 Agritex	13	12	JD	QC	106 Agriterra Equipment	8	8	AGCO	AB
50 Holt Agribusiness	25	12	AGCO	TX, AR, MO	107 Ahern Rental	9	7	Kub	CA, NV, UT
51 Goldman Equipment	13	12	JD	LA	108 Arnold's	7	7	CIH	MN
52 Vetter Equipment	11	11	CIH	IA	109 Hlavinka	8	7	CIH	TX
53 Baker Implement	11	11	CIH	MO, AR	110 Jacobi Sales	7	7	CIH, Kub	IN, KY
54 Sinclair Tractor	11	11	JD	IA	111 Kayton Int'l./Horizon West/Nebraska Equipment	7	7	CIH, NH	NE, MN, WY
55 Sydenstricker	11	11	JD	MO	112 Lasseter Equipment	7	7	JD	GA
56 Koenig Equipment	12	11	JD, CIH	OH, IN	113 Tri County Equipment	9	7	JD	MI
57 AgriVision	10	10	JD	IA	114 Wm. Nobbe	7	7	JD	IL, MO
					115 Bader & Sons	9	7	JD	MI
					116 JD Equipment	8	7	JD	OH
					117 Legacy Equipment	7	7	JD	AR, MO
					118 B.E. Implement	7	7	JD	TX
					119 Green Country Equipment	7	7	JD	TX, OK

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120 Green Tractor	7	7	JD	ON	156 Redhead Equipment	7	6	CIH	SK
121 Wright Implement	10	7	JD	KY, IN, TN	157 Shoppa's Farm Supply	12	6	JD	TX
122 Reuter's	7	7	CIH, NH, Kub	IA, NE	158 Empire Southwest/Iron City	31	5	AGCO	AZ, CA, NM, TX
123 Pioneer Equipment	7	7	CIH, NH, Kub	ID, CA	159 Swiderski Equipment Inc.	5	5	NH	WI
124 Kern Machinery/ Camp Equipment	8	7	Deere	CA, OR, ID	160 Empire Tractor	5	5	NH, CIH, Kub	NY
125 MacAllister Machinery	8	7	AGCO	IN	161 Thompson Machinery	14	5	AGCO	TN, MS
126 Connect Equipment Corp.	8	6	AGCO	ON	162 Altorfer CAT	23	5	AGCO	IA, IL, MO
127 Straub Int'l.	6	6	CIH	KS	163 Johnson CAT	5	5	AGCO	CA
128 Z & M Ag & Turf	6	6	JD	NY	164 Evolution Ag	6	5	CIH	OH
129 Livingston Machinery	6	6	AGCO	OK, TX	165 Aimtrac	6	5	CIH	GA
130 Booth Machinery	6	6	CIH	AZ, CA	166 Sievers Equipment	6	5	CIH	IL
131 Archbold Equipment	8	6	CIH	OH, IN, MI	167 Allied Equipment	5	5	CIH	HI
132 Delta Group	7	6	CIH, Kub	MS	168 St. John Hardware	5	5	CIH	WA, ID
133 Service Motor	6	6	CIH, Kub	WI	169 Adrien Phaneuf	5	5	CIH	QC
134 Value Implement	6	6	CIH, NH	WI	170 Claude Joyal	5	5	CIH	QC
135 Bridgeport Equipment & Tools	9	6	JD	WV, KY, OH	171 Stoller Int'l.	5	5	CIH	IL
136 KC Nielsen	6	6	JD	IA	172 BIC (Bruna Implement Co.)	5	5	CIH	KS
137 Northern Virginia Tractor	11	6	JD	VA	173 Heritage Agriculture	5	5	CIH, Kub	AR
138 Lakeland Equipment	6	6	JD	NY	174 Ag West Supply	5	5	CIH, MF	OR
139 Theriault/Harvest Equipment	6	6	JD	VT, ME	175 Mid-South Ag Equipment	5	5	CIH, NH	MS, KY
140 Horizon Equipment	7	6	JD	IA	176 Farm Pride/Arthur Farm Power	6	5	CIH, NH	IL
141 Green Iron Equipment	6	6	JD	ND, SD	177 Crown Power & Equipment	6	5	CIH, NH	MO
142 Noteboom Implement	7	6	JD	SD, IA	178 Southeast Farm Equipment	6	5	JD	NC, SC
143 Schuneman Equipment Co.	6	6	JD	SD, MN	179 West Central Equipment	5	5	JD	PA
144 Grissoms	6	6	JD	OK	180 Holland & Sons	6	5	JD	IL
145 Hurst Farm Supply	7	6	JD	TX	181 McLean Implement	5	5	JD	IL
146 Ray Lee Equipment	6	6	JD	TX, NM	182 ICON Ag Services	5	5	JD	IA
147 Maple Farm Equipment (21% Cervus)	7	6	JD	SK	183 Dakota Farm Equipment	5	5	JD	ND, SD
148 Western Sales	6	6	JD	SK	184 Coufal-Prater	5	5	JD	TX
149 Mid-State Equipment	7	6	JD, Kub	WI	185 American Machinery	5	5	JD	HI
150 Frontier Ag & Turf	8	6	JD, Kub	WI, MN	186 Campbell Tractor & Implement	5	5	JD	ID
151 Hawthorne Pacific	6	6	Kub	HI, GU	187 Nelson Motors	5	5	JD	SK
152 Brim Tractor	6	6	NH	WA, OR	188 Lampson Tractor & Equipment	5	5	Kubota	CA
153 Unicoop Coop Agricole	6	6	NH	QC	189 BlueLine Equipment	6	5	Kubota	WA
154 Douglas Lake Equipment	6	6	NH, Kub	BC, AB	190 Hobby, Dye and Read	5	5	NH	KY
155 Ag Solutions Group	6	6	Shortlines	MO, IA, MN, NE	191 E Bourassa & Sons	5	5	NH	SK
					192 Champlain Valley Equipment	5	5	NH, CIH, Kub	VT

## North America Farm Equipment Dealer Groups Operating 10 or More Ag Store Locations by Brand — 2016

	Locations		States/ Provinces		Locations		States/ Provinces
	All	Ag			All	Ag	
<b>AGCO</b>				Vetter Equipment	11	11	IA
Butler Machinery	18	18	ND, SD, NE	Red Power/Bancroft	10	10	IA
Wayne CAT	15	15	KY	<b>John Deere</b>			
Ziegler CAT	28	14	MN, IA, WI, MO	Cervus	75	42	AB, MB, SK, NZ, AUST(15)
Ring Power CAT	25	14	FL	Ag Pro	37	36	GA, FL, SC, TX
HGI (NC Machinery, Tractor & Equipment)	24	14	WA, MT, ND, WY	Romer (James River Equipment/ 4 Rivers Equipment)	51	32	VA, NC, SC, CO, WY, NM, TX
Agri-Service	14	14	ID, OR, UT	RDO	75	31	ND, AZ, CA, MN, MT, OR, SD, TX, WA
Holt Agribusiness	25	12	TX, AR, MO	Greenway	27	27	AR, MO
LDI (Lang Diesel Inc.)	13	12	KS	C&B Operations	26	24	SD, MN, WY, ID, MT
Wagner Equipment	13	10	CO, TX, NM	Pape Machinery	70	21	OR, CA, WA, NV, ID
<b>Case IH</b>				Brandt Holdings	25	21	ND, MN, SD, NE
Titan Machinery	108	80	ND, SD, IA, MN, MT, NE, EU(16)	Sloans	20	20	IL, WI
RME/Rocky Mountain Equipment	38	34	AB, MB, SK	Stotz Equipment	23	19	AZ, CA, NV, UT, CO, NM, ID
H&R Agri-Power	14	14	KY, IL, TN, AL	P&K Equipment	19	19	OK, IA
Bane-Welker Equipment	14	13	IN	Trigreen	18	18	AL, TN
Progressive Tractor	13	13	LA	21st Century Equipment	21	17	NE, CO
Birkeys Farm Store	14	12	IL, IN	LandMark Implement	18	17	NE, KS
Baker Implement	11	11	MO, AR	Van Wall Group	21	16	IA, KS, NE, IL

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	Locations		States/ Provinces		Locations		States/ Provinces
	All	Ag			All	Ag	
Ag-Power	17	16	TX, AR, MO	Riesterer & Schnell	12	12	WI
Greenmark Equipment	16	16	MI, IN	Wade	12	12	MS
Groupe JDL Laguë	16	16	QC, ON	Washington Tractor	12	12	WA
SunSouth	21	15	AL, GA, MS	Sinclair Tractor	11	11	IA
Plains Equipment Group	17	15	NE, KS	Sydenstricker	11	11	MO
Mississippi/Arkansas Ag	15	15	MS, AR	Tennessee Tractor	11	10	TN
American Implement Inc.	14	14	KS	AgriVision	10	10	IA
Quality Equipment	14	14	NC	Bodensteiner Implement	10	10	IA
AHW (Arends Hogan Walker)	15	13	IL	Frontline Ag Solutions	10	10	MT
Hutson	14	13	KY	JayDee AgTech	10	10	SK
Green Diamond Equipment	13	13	NB, NS, PE	Martin Deerline	10	10	AB
Martin Sullivan	13	13	IL	Premier Equipment	10	10	ON
Midwest Machinery	13	13	MN	Tractor Central	10	10	WI
Agritex	13	12	QC	<b>New Holland</b>			
East Coast Equipment	13	12	NC, VA	Titan Machinery	108	80	ND, SD, IA, MN, MT, NE, EU(16)
Goldman Equipment	13	12	LA	Mazer Group	14	14	MB, SK
Everglades Farm Equipment	12	12	FL	SS Equipment	12	12	WA, OR

\*Koenig Equipment is a hybrid dealership that is difficult to categorize on this list. It has 11 locations: 7 Deere stores in Ohio and 4 Case IH stores in Indiana.

\*\*Delta Power Equipment has 10 total locations in Ontario, with 5 Case IH and 5 New Holland stores.

## Changes Among Large Dealership Groups — 2015-2016

Company	Brand	State	Details
Quality Equipment	JD	NC	Acquired S.G. Black of Monroe. Now has 14 locations.
Reis Equipment	CIH	ON	Acquired John A. Burnett. Now has 4 locations.
Brokaw & Riggins	Shortlines	MO, IA, MN, NE	Brokaw Supply and Riggins Ag Equipment merged, creating Ag Solutions Group focusing on sprayers.
Frontier Ag Solutions	JD	MT	Moodie Implement with headquarters in Lewiston combines with Frontline Ag with headquarters in Conrad for a total of 10 locations.
RDO	JD	MT	Acquired 3 locations in Montana of Triple W Equipment, who sell Ag and Forestry equipment for a total 75 locations.
Meade Tractor	JD	TN, KY, VA, WV, NC	From 8 Ag and Turf stores, bought 8 John Deere CE stores from Deere owned Nortrax.
New Virginia Tractor	JD	VA	Acquired 2 locations. Now 6 locations plus 5 Cat Lift Truck stores.
Ag-Pro	JD	GA, FL, SC, TX	Acquired 11 locations of South Texas Implement & Tractor City and opened new store in Seneca, S.C. Now has 36 retail stores.
Mazergroup	NH	MB	Acquired Southeastern Farm Equipment of Steinbach. Now the largest New Holland dealer in North America with 14 locations.
Kern Machinery/ Camp Equipment	JD	CA, OR, ID	Acquired 3 locations in Oregon of Holingsworth Equipment under the Camp name.
Flint Ag & Turf	JD	GA, NC, SC, AL	Changed Albany Tractor stores names to Flint Ag & Turf, and replaced store with a new one in Flint.
Van Wall	JD	IA	Acquired 3 locations of Agri-Vision at Indianola, Albia and Knoxville.
Greenmark	JD	IN	Closed Goshen store.
A.C. McCartney	AGCO	IL	A.C. McCartney merged with Arthur Ring and Sons, a 2-store AGCO dealer Aug. 1 2015. Locations of Ring were closed.
Coufal-Prater	JD	TX	Missed in prior years.
Minnesota Equipment	JD	MN	4 dealerships merged in 2008, but now all identified under same name — previously Isanti County Equipment, Sharber & Sons, Suburban Lawn Center and Weekend Freedom.
Bane-Welker	CIH	IN, OH	Acquired Twin Valley Equipment and now has 13 stores.
Agri-Services	AGCO	ID, UT, WA	Opened 14th store in Elitopia, Wash.
Livingston Machinery	AGCO	OK, TX	Purchased the ag division of Warren Cat and opened a new store in Dalhart, Texas.
Castongia Tractor	JD	IN	Acquired A&M Farm Center's 2 stores to add to existing 3 stores. It is the oldest John Deere dealer in Indiana.
LandMark Implement	JD	KS, NE	Oregon Trail Equipment merged with LandMark Implement (10 stores).
Wade Inc.	JD	MS	Acquired Tractors & Equipment in Hernando growing to 12 stores.
Sydenstricker	JD	MO	Acquired one store from Schweissguth Brothers.
Delta Power Equipment	CIH, NH	ON	From 6 stores, acquired Great Lakes New Holland with 4 stores for a total of 10 locations now.
Wright Implement	JD	KY, IN, TN	Deer Country Equipment merged with Wright Implement.
Agriterra Equipment	AGCO	AB	Acquired Wasketenau Motors, bringing its total locations to 8.
Holt AgriBusiness	Challenger/Claas	TX	Holt Agribusiness stopped carrying the Claas line. Claas has plans to expand its dealer network in the region to replace Holt.
Kingline Equipment	NH	AL, FL	Acquired Northside New Holland in Dothan, Ala.